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Serial No. 09/476,776 ) Examiner: Chu, K.  
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For: Apparatus and Method for Adjusting the Tilt Angle of  
an Optical Pickup Device

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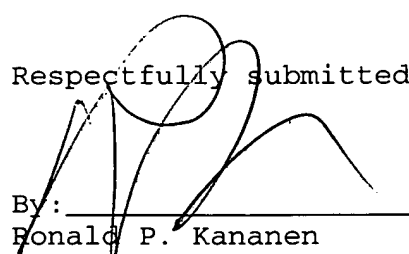
RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliance mailed March 4, 2002 which thirty days was allotted for a response. In accordance with a telephone discussion on or about March 10, 2002 with SPE Korzuch, it is understood that prosecution be reopened and that an amended Appeal Brief not be prepared in light of the Petition Under 37 CFR 1.181 filed on November 26, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

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